

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Eric C. Steindorf	)	Examiner: Nihir B. Patel
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Title: FACE MASK HAVING BAFFLE LAYER FOR IMPROVED FLUID RESISTANCE

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the subject application on the merits, please enter the following preliminary amendment: